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Letter dated 6 August 2001 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Pursuant to Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of decision AHG/Dec.168 (XXXVII), entitled "Decision on the Lockerbie issue", as adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its thirty-seventh ordinary session, held in Lusaka, Zambia, from 9 to 11 July 2001 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would bring this letter and its annex to the attention of the members of the Security Council and have them circulated as a Council document.

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Decision on the Lockerbie issue (AHG/Dec.168 (XXXVII))

The Assembly:

1. TAKES NOTE of the Report;

2. RECALLS decision EAHG/Dec.3 (V) adopted by the 5th Extraordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government, held in Sirte, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, on 5 March 2001;

3. CALLS UPON the UN Security Council to immediately and definitively lift the unjust sanctions and suspend the embargo imposed on Libya and which has no legal or moral justification following the positive stand, civilized handling and great cooperation displayed by the Jamahiriya in dealing with this issue;

4. DEMANDS the immediate release of the Libyan citizen Abdel Basset Al-Megrahi who has been convicted for political reasons totally unrelated to law; his continued detention may be regarded as an abominable kidnapping under all applicable laws and customs;

5. REAFFIRMS the right of the Great Jamahiriya to compensation for the material and moral damage it has suffered;

6. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to initiate the necessary steps, including the mobilization of financial resources, for the establishment of the Commission of Jurists which was established by decision EAHG/Dec.3 (V) to follow up on all aspects related to the legal proceedings of the Lockerbie issue;

7. RECOMMENDS that the Current Chairman and other members of his Bureau make use of their good offices to undertake the necessary contacts with all the concerned parties with a view to ensuring a speedy and satisfactory resolution of the issue.